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vehicle, wherein the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin.

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16. (Amended) A kit for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising:  
a first composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid [component] in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

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a second composition comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7; and

a means for applying the first and second compositions, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin.

24. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of alpha hydroxy acid, beta hydroxy acid, and combinations thereof.

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25. (New) The method of claim 24 wherein the acid is an alpha hydroxy acid selected from the group consisting of glycolic acid, lactic acid, malic acid, tartaric acid and citric acid.

26. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of hydroxy carboxylic acid, keto acid and hydroxybenzoic acid.

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27. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of mandelic acid, azelaic acid, glyceric acid, tartaric acid, gluconic acid, benzylic acid, pyruvic acid, ethyl pyruvate, 2-hydroxybutric acid, salicylic acid, and mixtures thereof.

28. (New) The method of claim 27 wherein the salicylic acid is present from about 1% to about 3%.

29. (New) The method of claim 28 wherein the salicylic acid is present in about 2%.

30. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is selected from the group consisting of mineral acid, trichloroacetic acid and ascorbic acid.

31. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid has a molecular weight from about 50 to about 250.

32. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the alkaline agent is selected from the group consisting of sodium bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide.

33. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with use of a pad

34. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with use of a cotton ball.

35. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with use of a cotton-tipped applicator.

36. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

37. (New) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:  
a) applying to the skin a first composition comprising an effective amount of an acid selected from the group consisting of alpha hydroxy acid, beta hydroxy acid and trichloroacetic acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and

b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second composition comprising an alkaline agent selected from the group consisting of sodium bicarbonate and sodium hydroxide, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin.

38. (New) The method of claim 37 wherein the first composition and the second composition are each applied with the use of a pad.

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39. (New) The method of claim 37 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

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40. (New) A method for treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising the steps of:  
a) applying to the skin a first composition consisting essentially of an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first composition is between about 2.5 and about 4; and  
b) neutralizing said first composition by applying to the skin a second composition consisting essentially of an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition, and from about 0.1 to about 10% of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7, and the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin.

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41. (New) A kit for the treatment of the skin of a consumer comprising:  
a first composition comprising an effective amount of an acid suitable as a skin renewing acid in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the first composition is between about 2.5 and about 4;

a second composition comprising an alkaline agent suitable for use in a skin care composition and about 0.1 to about 10 percent of at least one surfactant/emulsifying agent in a cosmetically acceptable vehicle, wherein the pH of the second composition is greater than about 7; and

single-use pads for applying the first and second compositions, the compositions being adapted for sequential application to the skin of the consumer, wherein the first composition and the second composition are not rinsed off of the skin after application to the skin by use of a single-use pad.

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42. (New) The kit of claim 41 wherein the effective amount of the acid is from about 0.1 to about 5%.

43. (New) The method of claim 10 wherein the acid is a hydrophilic acid.